GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2300
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POLLUTION IN DAMODAR RIVER
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have reviewed pollution in rivers in the country particularly in Damodar river in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. River Damodar has been included in the National River Conservation Programme. Pollution abatement schemes in eight towns, namely, Bokaro-Kargali, Chirkunda, Dugdha, Jharia, Ramgarh, Sindri, Sudamdih and Telumochu have been approved for an amount of Rs. 10.22 crore.

(c) Three project proposals have been sanctioned so far for an amount of Rs. 19.97 lakhs and a central grant of Rs. 13.31 lakhs has been released to the State Government.